
Daily sitting 9

Tuesday, October 31, 2023

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Following Oral Questions, Hon. Mr. G. Savoie rose on a point of order and submitted that Mr. McKee used unparliamentary language when he accused the Government of misleading the House. Mr. Arseneault submitted that the term used was “fudging the numbers”. Mr. Speaker referred to a May 10, 2023, ruling which found the term unparliamentary. Mr. McKee withdrew the remark.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Ms. Green,

Bill 9, *An Act Respecting Child and Youth Well-Being.*

By Hon. Mr. Holland,

Bill 10, *An Act to Amend the Electricity Act.*Bill 11, *An Act to Amend the Fish and Wildlife Act.*

By Hon. Ms. Johnson,

Bill 12, *An Act Respecting Trespass on Agricultural Lands.*

By Hon. Mr. G. Savoie,

Bill 13, *An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act.*

By Hon. Mr. Austin,

Bill 14, *An Act to Amend the Police Act.*

By Hon. Ms. M. Wilson,

Bill 15, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act.*

Ms. Mitton gave Notice of Motion 15 that on Thursday, November 9, 2023, she would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Arseneau:

WHEREAS New Brunswick’s neonatal intensive care and special care nursery admission rates continue to be above the national average;

WHEREAS the accessibility of midwifery services is limited in New Brunswick, hindering options for expectant parents and placing more strain on the existing healthcare system;

WHEREAS the Midwifery Demonstration Site in Fredericton has attended 271 births since its inception in October 2017, reporting extraordinary client experience of 99% satisfaction with the care they received;

WHEREAS an evaluation done by a third party on Fredericton's Midwifery Demonstration Site in 2022 highlighted that the inclusion of midwives in perinatal care improves health outcomes and empowers expectant parents to make informed choices about their care;

WHEREAS the same evaluation on Fredericton's Midwifery Demonstration Site calls on the government to expand the midwifery services across the province, immediately scale up the existing Fredericton clinic, begin looking at options to create spots for New Brunswickers in midwifery educational programs, and overhaul the *Midwifery Act*;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to immediately implement the recommendations from the Fredericton Midwifery Demonstration Site Summary Evaluation Report, in consultation with the Midwifery Council of New Brunswick.

Hon. Mr. G. Savoie gave notice that on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, Bills 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 would be called for second reading.

Hon. Mr. G. Savoie, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bill 8 be called for second reading.

With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. G. Savoie moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier: (Motion 16)

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Stewardship be amended by substituting Mr. Allain for Hon. Mr. Ames and Mr. Losier for Mr. G. Arseneault;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Economic Policy be amended by substituting Mr. Cullins for Hon. Mr. Ames, Mr. Holder for Hon. Ms. Bockus, Ms. Shephard for Hon. Mr. Turner and Mr. Carr for Hon. Ms. S. Wilson;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Estimates and Fiscal Policy be amended by substituting Mr. Dawson for Hon. Mr. Ames, Mr. Allain for Hon. Ms. S. Wilson and Mr. Holder for Ms. Anderson-Mason;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Law Amendments be amended by substituting Hon. Ms. S. Wilson for Ms. Anderson-Mason and Ms. Shephard for Hon. Ms. M. Wilson;

THAT the membership of the Legislative Administration Committee be amended by substituting Ms. Conroy for Hon. Ms. S. Wilson, Hon. Mr. Ames for Hon. Ms. Green, Mr. Cullins for Mr. Wetmore, Mr. Dawson for Hon. Mr. Turner, Mr. M. LeBlanc for Mr. McKee and Mr. J. LeBlanc for Mr. K. Chiasson;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be amended by substituting Mr. Dawson for Ms. Anderson-Mason, Mr. Allain for Hon. Ms. M. Wilson, Mr. Holder for Hon. Mr. Ames, Mr. Wetmore for Hon. Ms. Bockus and Mr. McKee for Mr. G. Arseneault;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Procedure, Privileges and Legislative Officers be amended by substituting Hon. Mr. G. Savoie for Mr. Wetmore, Mr. Dawson for Hon. Ms. Bockus, Mr. Carr for Hon. Ms. M. Wilson, Mr. Allain for Hon. Mr. Ames, Mr. Holder for Hon. Ms. S. Wilson and Mr. M. LeBlanc for Mr. D'Amours;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be amended by substituting Ms. Conroy for Ms. Anderson-Mason, Mr. Carr for Hon. Ms. M. Wilson, Mr. Allain for Hon. Mr. Turner, Mr. Holder for Hon. Ms. Bockus and Mr. K. Chiasson for Mr. J. LeBlanc;

THAT the membership of the Select Committee on Accessibility in New Brunswick be amended by substituting Ms. Shephard for Hon. Mr. Turner, Mr. Holder for Hon. Mr. Ames, Mr. Allain for Hon. Ms. S. Wilson and Mr. Losier for Mr. Bourque; and

THAT the membership of the Select Committee on Public Universities be amended by substituting Ms. Conroy for Hon. Ms. M. Wilson, Ms. Shephard for Hon. Ms. Bockus, Mr. Allain for Ms. Anderson-Mason, Mr. Holder for Hon. Mr. Turner and Mr. M. LeBlanc for Mr. K. Chiasson.

And the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 8, *An Act to Amend the Private Investigators and Security Services Act*, be now read a second time.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 8 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 8, *An Act to Amend the Private Investigators and Security Services Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

And then, 2.39 p.m., the House adjourned.

The following documents, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, were deemed laid upon the table of the House pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Annual Report 2022-2023	
New Brunswick Liquor Corporation	October 27, 2023
Annual Report 2022-2023	
Cannabis NB	October 27, 2023
Navigating the Future: Five-year review of the	
<i>Credit Unions Act</i> , Financial and Consumer	
Services Commission, October 2023	October 27, 2023